

## Minutes of the October Session of the Faculty Senate

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The Faculty Senate held its October session on Thursday, October 11, 2012, in PSU Ballroom East. Chair Christopher Herr called the session to order at 3:32 p.m. Dr. Eric Shade served as parliamentarian.

Substitutes: Kloos Bakker for Deborah Cron, CD; and Terrel Gallaway for Sharmistha Self, EC.

Absences: Sandra Bailey, FI; Ching-Wen Chang, RF; Tracy Cleveland, PN; Andrew Cline, MJ; Sam Dyer, ARC Chair; Michael Foster, FCC Chair; Donna Gloe, NR; Cindy Hail, PEC Co-Chair; John Hail, EF; Stephanie Hein, B&P Chair; Brent Kinghorn, MG; Cynthia MacGregor, CL/Rules Chair; Joan McClennen, SW; Maria Michalczyk, AD; John Satzinger, CI; Rebecca Woodard, PEC Co-Chair; and Y. Jenny Zhang, FG.

Guests: Paige Jenkins, BOG Student Governor; John Catau, Provost's Office; William Cooper, Graduate Student Senate; Donna Sherrill, MA; Patti Blanten, MA; Sam Brown, MA; Rob Hornberger, Registrar; Ryan Reed, Staff Senate/Res Life; and Libby Rozell, COB.

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The September 2012 minutes were approved as posted.

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

1. There is a resolution for an Ad Hoc Committee on the Public Affairs upper division requirement on the agenda for today. Should it pass, I would ask any Senators or faculty interested in serving on the committee to contact me. We would like to ensure representation from each college.
2. The presidential search feedback form will be available on the search webpage until 5:00 this evening. You are all encouraged to provide feedback, and to that effect, we should get directly to the agenda.
3. Josh Smith, CGEIP Chair, announced CGEIP recently voted on a timeline to send out to heads and deans and their faculty with a revised timeline.
  - 12/3 – foundations—doesn't require curricular proposals to be on CGEIP agenda until January
  - 10/17—call for proposals and online application form—dept. heads and deans can review and comment onlineThere will be forums for the colleges.

### **INTERNAL SENATE ACTION TO SUSPEND CGEIP COURSE REVIEWS**

Senator Barnes moved the Internal Senate Action to the floor.

CGEIP Chair Joshua Smith spoke to the Internal Senate Action.

### **Motion passed.**

### **Internal Senate Action 1-12/13**

### **RESOLUTION ON AD HOC COMMITTEE FOR PUBLIC AFFAIRS UPPER-DIVISION REQUIREMENT**

Senator Kaufman moved the Resolution to the floor as distributed except for the addition of a library representative on the committee.

The Senate discussed the Resolution.

Senator Romano moved to replace “course” with “requirement.” Senator Kaufman proposed an amendment to the amendment as follows.

**Whereas**, Faculty Senate voted to remove the proposed Public Affairs Capstone experience from the General Education structure in favor of an upper-division Public Affairs ~~graduation requirement~~ **graduation requirement** that could be offered as part of a major or minor; and

**Secondary amendment passed. Primary amendment passed.  
Motion passed.  
SR 5-12/13**

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

None.

**NEW BUSINESS**

None.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Herr adjourned the meeting at 3:45 p.m.

Kathy Gibson  
Secretary of the Faculty

**Right of Challenge Expires November 6, 2012**

**Internal Senate Action to Suspend CGEIP Course Reviews**

**Whereas**, the ongoing revisions to the General Education program will require a great deal of work on the part of departments in preparing course proposals and on the part of CGEIP in reviewing and approving courses for inclusion in the revised program; and

**Whereas**, the implementation of the revised program will make the regular three -year reviews of those courses currently in the program effective for only a short time; and

**Whereas**, CGEIP will be better able to expedite review of courses for the revised program if three-year review of current courses is suspended; and

**Whereas**, in the new General Education program a revised schedule and plan for regular review of courses will be implemented;

**Be it resolved**, that CGEIP suspend the normal three -year course reviews of current General Education courses for the academic year 2012-13 in order to expedite review of courses submitted for inclusion in the revised program.

**Resolution on Ad Hoc Committee for Public Affairs Upper-Division Requirement**

**Whereas**, Faculty Senate voted to remove the proposed Public Affairs Capstone experience from the General Education structure in favor of an upper-division Public Affairs graduation requirement that could be offered as part of a major or minor; and

**Whereas**, before such a requirement is implemented, further exploration is necessary to determine the best way to execute, track, and support it within the budgetary and curricular constraints of the university; therefore

**Be it resolved**, that an ad hoc faculty committee be formed, with representatives from all of the colleges and the library chosen by the Senate Executive Committee, to explore the best way to support and implement an upper-division Public Affairs requirement; and

**Be it further resolved**, that the committee will consult with the appropriate administrators, and present a report with its recommendations to Faculty Senate no later than the December 2012 meeting.